

CONSTITUTION
Compton Dando Community Association [CDCA]

Name	The name of the association shall be Compton Dando Community Association [CDCA]. Hereafter referred to as "CDCA".
Aims	
A	Encouraging the social life of the community
B	Aid for and maintenance of Compton Dando village institutions
C	Improvement of the facilities and amenities of Compton Dando and preservation of the rural character of the area
D	Raise monies for the village of Compton Dando or groups or projects connected with the village
E	Pursuit of these ends by means of social activities, meetings, lectures, exhibitions, publications and publicity
F	Make awards of financial support to groups or projects that are of benefit to Compton Dando.
G	The CDCA shall be non-sectarian and non-political
Membership	The CDCA relies completely on volunteers who actively support the village and the local environment. Membership shall be open to all residents of Compton Dando Church Parish, over the age of 18, in agreement with the aims of the CDCA. Membership shall also be open to any other person who supports the aims of the CDCA and whose application is approved by the Committee
Officers	The Officers shall be Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers shall be elected annually, but are eligible for re-election. Nominations for the posts shall be presented to the Secretary by 30 th September and will be posted on the Village Noticeboard on the 1 st October. Nominees must have the backing of 2 residents of Compton Dando. Voting to elect the new officers shall take place at the AGM in October of each year, by a show of hands.
Committee	The Committee shall consist of the Officers, the post of Webmaster, and any CDCA members who wish to sit as Committee Members, with a minimum of 12. The post of Webmaster shall be appointed annually, and appointees are eligible for re-election by the CDCA Committee at the first meeting after the AGM, Duties cover the maintenance of the Compton Dando village website, and ensuring that the submitted information is put onto the site promptly. The Webmaster has a moderating role regarding data submitted for the website. Committee Members must be supported by 2 residents of Compton Dando. Nominations/volunteers for Committee Members should be presented at the AGM. Committee Members shall be elected annually, but are eligible for re-election. Committee Members should support the aims of the CDCA and be able and willing to undertake additional tasks. It is expected that Committee Members will:- Attend the majority of monthly meetings Actively participate in CDCA activities The Committee shall be responsible for the running of the affairs of the CDCA and shall make decisions on its behalf. The Committee shall meet regularly, usually monthly on the 3 rd Thursday, and 8 Committee Members being present at such meetings shall constitute a quorum. If any Committee Members shall have an interest in any matter to be discussed at a Committee meeting then that member shall declare the interest and may be requested not to attend that meeting or the relevant part thereof. The Chairman's decision in matters of this kind shall be final. A list of Committee Members shall be posted on the Village Noticeboard each October.
Finances	The activities of the CDCA shall be financed by fundraising activities as decided by the Committee, donations, legacies and the like.

Out of the CDCA funds the Committee shall pay all proper expenses and shall use the residue as it thinks fit to assist the aims of the CDCA.
The Officers shall be the 3 signatories on the CDCA accounts, and 2 signatures are required to draw funds.

Meetings

The Financial year of the CDCA shall end on the 30th September each year and an AGM will be held in October each year.

The purpose of the AGM is to receive the annual report and balance sheet, election of Officers and Committee and consider any other business necessary.

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Disbursement of Funds

Agreement on disbursement of funds shall be made at the monthly CDCA meetings and in advance of an event being publicised.

Monies raised from the annual Village Fete shall be divided equally between the CDCA, St Mary's Church Compton Dando and the Parish Hall Compton Dando. At the end of the Financial Year the unallocated monies in excess of £1000 shall be split into two.

50% being retained by the CDCA and the other 50% being split equally between St Mary's Church Compton Dando and the Parish Hall of Compton Dando.

Voting

Voting shall take place by a show of hands and will be recorded and minuted under the following headings: For, Against and Abstain

Motions shall be carried by a majority of 2/3rd of the attending Committee members with a quorum of 8.

The Chairman shall have a casting vote.

Proposals

A funding proposal on behalf of any Group or Project may be submitted to the CDCA provided that it falls within the CDCA Aims.

Note: the CDCA requires at least 1 month's written notice of a proposal.

Amendment to the Constitution

The Constitution may be amended by a 2/3rd majority of the Membership at an AGM or at a regular meeting providing 10 days notice is given to residents of Compton Dando Church Parish and that no authorisation of expenditure of funds shall be contained therein.

Dissolution

In the event of the CDCA being dissolved, any funds or property of the CDCA remaining after satisfaction of all its debts shall be divided equally between St Mary's Church Compton Dando and the Compton Dando Parish Hall, if these institutions are current, or put at the disposal of an organisation having aims similar to the aims of the CDCA. Full accounts for such action to be made public.